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The School of Arts and Social Sciences provides an exciting and well-rounded education in languages, literature, and the social sciences. Our programmes develop dynamic individuals with the practical skills and specialised knowledge needed to excel in their chosen careers. Graduates can expect to find employment in the public and civil services as well as the corporate sector.
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10 Good Reasons to Study at Singapore University of Social Sciences

- High Academic Standards
- Industry-Relevant Curricula
- Government Tuition Grant or Subsidy for Eligible Students
- More than 60 Degree Programmes over 5 Schools
- Flexible and Self-paced Learning
SINGAPORE UNIVERSITY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

- Experienced faculty members and industry experts
- Well-designed online learning resources
- Practice-oriented approach
- Lifelong educational opportunities
- Focus on real-world learning
These programmes combine the disciplines of language studies and literature. The linguistics courses will deepen your understanding of the language system and broaden your perspective on language use and discourse in society. The literature courses introduce you to a range of literary genres, periods and styles, and teach you to critically analyse texts using key concepts and theories. You may opt for a minor in Business, Film Studies, Psychology, Sociology or Translation.

These degree programmes will be useful to people working in a variety of fields and particularly those who intend to teach English or use it professionally (e.g. in mass communications, journalism, public relations, and language-related fields such as general education and editorial work).

Students may opt for a minor in Business, Film Studies, Psychology, Sociology or Translation. The Business courses emphasise interpersonal and analytical skills in a rapidly evolving environment. The Film Studies courses focus on the artistic, narrative, socio-cultural, economic and theoretical aspects of film. The Psychology courses offer a general introduction to the study of psychology and its use in various fields. The Sociology courses explore theoretical debates, conceptual frameworks and methods of social analysis. The Translation courses provide a foundation for intercultural communication skills.

All our programmes have an honours option. Students who achieve a CGPA of 3.5 and above upon completion of their basic degree will be invited to pursue the honours programme, which will be offered if the requisite number of students is met.

To graduate with a basic degree, students are required to complete a total of 130 credit units (cu) of courses, inclusive of 10 cu of university core courses. A total of 170 cu is required to graduate with honours. All courses are 5 cu unless stated otherwise.

Sociology, with its attention to social trends and impact of policy in both the private and public sectors, serves to equip our adult learners with the knowledge to make sense of contemporary society and navigate through our increasingly complex world.

A Psychology minor enables deeper insight into understanding people and situations, and is enriching for those who are in jobs that involve working with people.

The Film minor focuses on analysing film and welcomes anyone who loves watching and examining film.

This degree programme will be particularly suitable for those who use English professionally, such as English teachers, journalists, public relations officers, writers and editors.

Since English is the working language of international commerce, this programme will suit professionals working in many areas, including business and marketing.

A minor in translation allows those who wish to strengthen their bilingual competence in Chinese and English to acquire skills in translation and interpretation.
A BA in English will give you a strong foundation in English Language and Literature, and will expand your career options by equipping you with a better working knowledge, understanding and appreciation of English. You will sharpen your analytical, writing and communication skills, which can be advantageous in many fields.

A degree in English Language and Literature will help enhance the careers of professionals who work primarily in English or write extensively in English, such as English teachers, journalists, public relations officers, writers and editors. Since English is the working language of international commerce, this programme will also suit professionals working in many areas, including business and marketing.

Those wishing to further their studies after obtaining the BA degree may consider postgraduate studies locally or overseas. Graduates of the English programmes have been accepted to postgraduate programmes in leading universities, including the National University of Singapore and the University of Oxford.

My journey with Singapore University of Social Sciences has truly been amazing and enlightening. My studies have definitely enriched my work as an educator. The knowledge I have gained has helped me to better analyse and understand the learning needs of my students and develop effective differentiated teaching strategies. Seeing my students benefit from my lessons has made my journey with the University very rewarding.

**COMPULSORY COURSES**

**LEVEL 1**
- Understanding Components of Language
- An Introduction to Language Systems
- Analysing Prose: Short Fiction and Essays
- Understanding Poems and Plays
- Language Structure: Sentences and Sounds
- Language and Society
- Analysing the Nineteenth-Century Novel
- Understanding Shakespeare: Plays and Sonnets

**LEVEL 2**

**LEVEL 3**
- Literary Stylistics
- World Englishes
- Language and Literacy
- English in Singapore
- Semantics and Pragmatics
- Phonetics
- Discourse Analysis
- Phonology
- First Language Acquisition
- Second Language Learning
- Morphology
- Syntax

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE ELECTIVE COURSES**

**LEVEL 1**
- Principles and Practice of Communication
- Discourse: Critique and Evaluation

**LEVEL 2**
- Children’s Literature
- Jacobean Drama
- Topics in American Literature
- Contemporary Literature
- Modern Poetry
- The Eighteenth-Century Novel
- Topics in Modernism
- Singapore Literature
- Shakespeare on Film
- Film and Gender

**ENGLISH LITERATURE ELECTIVE COURSES**

**LEVEL 1**

**LEVEL 2**

**LEVEL 3**

Explanatory Notes

1 BA English Language and Literature students are to complete 80 cu of Language and Literature elective courses. Students in English with minor programmes are to complete 40 cu of Language and Literature elective courses and 40 cu of courses in the minor.

2 Courses for BA English Language and Literature students only (and not applicable for students in English with minor programmes).

3 Courses for BA English Language and Literature students and BA English with Film Studies students only.
## HONOURS COURSE
- Capstone Course (10 cu) (English Language OR English Literature)

## BUSINESS MINOR COURSES (AT LEAST 10 CU AT LEVEL 3)
- **LEVEL 1**
  - Management (Compulsory)
  - Organisational Behaviour
  - Statistics
- **LEVEL 2**
  - Financial Accounting
  - Contract and Agency Law
  - Company Law and Corporate Governance
  - Business Excellence (Compulsory)
  - Managerial Economics
  - Marketing Management (Compulsory)
- **LEVEL 3**
  - Operations Management
  - Project Management
  - Customer Relationship Management
  - Business Negotiation
  - Starting and Managing a Business
  - Product/Service Innovation and Design
  - IT-Enabled Business Transformation
  - Political Economy of Asia
  - Financial Management (Compulsory)

## FILM STUDIES MINOR COURSES (AT LEAST 10 CU AT LEVEL 3)
- **LEVEL 1**
  - Introduction to Film Studies (Compulsory)
  - Writing Film Criticism (Compulsory)
- **LEVEL 2**
  - Film Genre (Compulsory)
  - Film Theory (Compulsory)
  - Animated Film
  - Singapore Film: 1930-2000
- **LEVEL 3**
  - Singapore Film in the 21st Century
  - Film in the Age of New Media
  - Shakespeare on Film
  - Film and Gender

## PSYCHOLOGY MINOR COURSES (AT LEAST 10 CU AT LEVEL 3)
- **LEVEL 1**
  - Introduction to Psychology 1
  - Introduction to Psychology 2
- **LEVEL 2**
  - Personality and Individual Differences
  - Organisational Psychology
  - Educational Psychology
  - Social Psychology
- **LEVEL 3**
  - Biological Basis of Psychology
  - Psychology of Creativity
  - Positive Psychology
  - Human Factors Psychology
  - Psychology of Consumer Behaviour
  - Personnel Assessment and Selection
  - Cognitive Psychology: Exploring the Mind

## SOCIOLOGY MINOR COURSES (AT LEAST 10 CU AT LEVEL 3)
- **LEVEL 1**
  - Introduction to Sociology
  - Introduction to Psychology 2
- **LEVEL 2**
  - Personality and Individual Differences
  - Organisational Psychology
  - Educational Psychology
  - Social Psychology
- **LEVEL 3**
  - Social Gerontology
  - Popular Culture
  - Southeast Asian Societies
  - Sociology of Law and Order (10 cu)
  - Medical Sociology

## TRANSLATION MINOR COURSES (AT LEAST 10 CU AT LEVEL 3)
- **LEVEL 1**
  - Contrastive Language Studies: English and Chinese
  - Translation and Socio-Cultural Differences
  - Fundamentals of Chinese to English Translation
  - Fundamentals of English to Chinese Translation
- **LEVEL 2**
  - Translation of Media Materials: Print and Audio-Visual
  - Introduction to Interpretation
  - Consecutive Interpretation
  - Translation of Science and Technology Writings with Technology
  - Translation of Business and Trade Documents
  - Translation of Legal Documents
- **LEVEL 3**
  - Chinese-English Translation of Literary Works
  - English-Chinese Translation of Literary Works
  - Financial Translation
  - Advanced Topics in Translation
课程简介

汉语言文学学士学位课程，旨在为对汉语言文学有兴趣的就业人士提供自我进修的机会，进一步提高学员们的教育水平与华文水准，同时培养学员们的华文文学鉴赏能力。此课程也会为本地非大学毕业教师提供一个自我提升的机会。

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招生对象

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凡是新加坡公民、新加坡永久居民和居住在新加坡的其他居民都可以报读。

在新跃社科大学读书的这几年，我收获颇丰。不仅提升了自身的修养，改变了生活的态度，也让我的孩子一同受益。

YE QIUHONG
叶秋红
Alumnus
BA Chinese Language and Literature
读汉语言文学学士学位课程之后，可以到政府学校以及私立学校从事华文教育（教师与补习教师）、华文媒体（记者与编辑）、广告公司（文案写作与设计）、行政管理（文书、秘书、执行人员）等工作。如果想继续修读更高学历的教育，可以进入硕士课程修读。

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### 必修课程

- 传播学导论
- 儒家思想概论
- 中国书画艺术鉴赏
- 中文篇章鉴赏
- 中文文章写作
- 现代华语语法与修辞
- 当代中国专题研究
- 中国现代文学
- 中国古代文学
- 中国先秦两汉魏晋南北朝文学
- 中国隋唐五代文学
- 中国宋元文学
- 中国明清文学
- 中国汉字学
- 汉语词汇语法学专题
- 唐诗专题
- 宋词专题
- 战前新马华文文学专题研究
- 战后新马华文文学专题研究

### 选修课程

- Introduction to Communication
- Introduction to Confucius Thought
- Chinese Calligraphy and Painting Appreciation
- Selected Readings in Chinese
- Writing in Chinese: Major Genres and Styles
- Modern Chinese Grammar and Rhetoric
- Issues in Contemporary China
- Modern Chinese Literature
- Contemporary Chinese Literature
- Pre-Qin to Northern-Southern Dynasty Literature of China
- Sui-Tang Dynasty Literature of China
- Song-Yuan Dynasty Literature of China
- Ming-Qing Dynasty Literature of China
- Chinese Etymology
- Chinese Lexicology and Grammar
- Tang Poetry
- Song Ci
- Issues in Pre-war Modern Chinese Literature of Singapore and Malaysia
- Issues in Post-war Modern Chinese Literature of Singapore and Malaysia
- Fundamentals of Chinese-English Translation
- Fundamentals of English-Chinese Translation
- Fundamentals of Chinese-English Translation
- Fundamentals of English-Chinese Translation
- Introduction to Chinese History
- Introduction to Chinese Culture
- Applied Chinese Phonetics and Lexicology
- Chinese Prose
- News Reporting and Writing in Chinese
- Comparative Literature
- Chinese Prose
- Chinese Fiction
- Fundamentals of Chinese-English Translation
- Fundamentals of English-Chinese Translation
汉语言文学与翻译专业学士学位

课程简介

汉语言文学与翻译课程是新开设的以汉语言文学为主修、翻译为副修的专业课。旨在为本地专业人士提供学习“汉语言文学”机会的同时，也能掌握中英翻译的基本技巧。学员不仅可以学习华语的语言文学课程，提升华文的应用能力，而且可以提升中英翻译能力，从而达成随着科技迅速发展而日益增长的跨文化交流以及国家之间持续不断发展的经济与政治关系的需求。

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职业前景

修读“汉语言文学与翻译”学士学位(BACLT)课程之后，可以到政府或私立机构从事与华文教育(教师与补习教师)、华文媒体(记者、编辑与翻译)、中英翻译公司、广告公司(文案翻译、写作与设计)、行政管理(文书、秘书、执行人员)等工作。如果想继续修读更高学历的教育，可以进入有关专业的硕士课程修读。
中文通选课

共10学分

必修

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传播学导论

儒家思想概论

中文篇章鉴赏

文文章写作

现代华语语法与修辞

当代中国专题研究

中国现代文学

中国当代文学

中国先秦两汉魏晋南北朝文学

中国隋唐五代文学

中国宋元文学

中国明清文学

中国汉字学

汉语词汇语法学专题

唐诗专题

宋词专题

战前新马华文文学专题研究

战后新马华文文学专题研究

普通学位课程

共80学分

必修

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Selected Readings in Chinese

Writing in Chinese: Major Genres and Styles

Modern Chinese Grammar and Rhetoric

Issues in Contemporary China

Modern Chinese Literature

Contemporary Chinese Literature

Pre-Qin to Northern-Southern Dynasty Literature of China

Sui-Tang Dynasty Literature of China

Song-Yuan Dynasty Literature of China

Ming-Qing Dynasty Literature of China

Chinese Etymology

Chinese Lexicology and Grammar

Tang Poetry

Song Ci

Issues in Pre-war Modern Chinese Literature of Singapore and Malaysia

Issues in Post-war Modern Chinese Literature of Singapore and Malaysia

翻译副修课程

共40学分

必修

选

Contrastive Language Studies: English and Chinese

Translation and Socio-Cultural Differences

Fundamentals of English to Chinese Translation

Fundamentals of English to Chinese Translation

Translation of Media Materials: Print and Audio-Visual

Introduction to Interpretation

Consecutive Interpretation

Translation of Science and Technology Writings with Technology

Translation of Business and Trade Documents

Translation of Legal Documents

Chinese-English Translation of Literary Works

English-Chinese Translation of Literary Works

Financial Translation

Advanced Topics in Translation
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE LECTURERS AND THEIR TEACHING METHODS?

Most of the lecturers bring real-world industry knowledge into their teaching, and this is really useful as we can apply this knowledge at work or during exams. Because they’re working as well, they’re usually very understanding when we aren’t on time for classes due to work.

IN WHAT WAYS DOES SINGAPORE UNIVERSITY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES EXCEED YOUR EXPECTATIONS?

I find that my perspective has changed a lot since I started studying again. Because the modules are relevant and useful, I find it easier to look at a situation from a different angle, or learn a new theory, and step out of my comfort zone to challenge myself every semester.

HOW DO YOU JUGGLE WORK AND SCHOOL?

Definitely through self-discipline and having the vision that if one works hard, good consequences will follow, cause and effect. It’s very difficult to juggle work and school but it’s not impossible.
The programme curriculum is suitable for Malay Language and Literature teachers, and individuals who are interested in pursuing a degree in the field for personal and professional development. This programme has a strong workplace perspective, and has been specially crafted to provide students with a good grasp of the linguistics of the Malay language within the social context of Singapore and the region. It aims to produce graduates who are well versed in applied linguistics and able to teach Malay Language and Literature or be language professionals.

This programme exposes students to a range of courses on Malay linguistics, culture, literature, grammar and translation. These courses will provide students with an in-depth understanding of the Malay world and enable them to apply this knowledge to the teaching profession or other fields of applied linguistics such as editing and translating.

Students are required to complete a total of 130 credit units (cu) to graduate with a basic degree, inclusive of 10 cu of university core courses. All courses are 5 cu unless stated otherwise.

The BAML programme exposes students to a range of courses on Malay linguistics, culture, literature, grammar and translation. These courses will provide students with an in-depth understanding of the Malay world and enable them to apply this knowledge to the teaching profession or other fields of applied linguistics such as editing and translating.

Students are required to complete a total of 130 credit units (cu) to graduate with a basic degree, inclusive of 10 cu of university core courses. All courses are 5 cu unless stated otherwise.

Successful graduates of the BAML programme will find themselves suited for a career in teaching, print and audio media, and translating and interpreting.
I found the degree programme to be an eye-opener and I am grateful that I was able to apply what I had learnt at Singapore University of Social Sciences to my teaching almost immediately.

For instance, the course on Malay Grammar gave me more confidence to structure my teaching of Malay Grammar to my students. The course on Malay Films inspired me to craft a lesson for them on Malay Films and created awareness among my students. It is useful for my students when I design moral lessons using Malay films. We applied perspective-taking and discussed moral dilemmas based on the films we watched.

I found that my programme at Singapore University of Social Sciences was beneficial as I learnt about Tamil Culture, Singapore and Malaysian literature, and expanded my knowledge of local Tamil culture, literature, arts and history. In particular, I enjoyed the translation theory and practice module as it tested my bilingual skills and gave me the opportunity to express myself in both languages (Tamil to English and English to Tamil).
A programme that provides Tamil language teachers and Tamil studies enthusiasts with an opportunity to pursue a degree. Jointly developed by Singapore University of Social Sciences and scholars from Tamil Nadu, this programme is similar to that offered in Tamil Nadu, while integrating local content to make it more relevant to students in Singapore.

**WHOM IS THIS FOR?**

**BA Tamil Language and Literature**
This programme is meant for anyone with a passion for the language. It is suitable for those who work in Tamil related areas such as Tamil language teachers, court interpreters, and broadcasters, who wish to upgrade their academic qualifications.

**BA Tamil Language and Literature with Communication**
The BATLC programme will be particularly suitable for those aspiring to become journalists in print media, visual and audio fields such as television and radio, and public relations.

**BA Tamil Language and Literature with English Language**
The BATLE programme will be suitable for those who use Tamil and English professionally as school teachers, journalists, broadcast journalists, public relations officers, court interpreters and translators.

Students may pursue Tamil Language and Tamil Literature as a single BA programme, or opt for a major in Tamil Language and Tamil Literature with a minor in English Language or Communication. The BA Tamil Language and Literature with English Language will help prepare undergraduates for careers that require a strong background in Tamil and English, particularly in the teaching profession where they will have the versatility of teaching in both Tamil and English. It will give an edge to people working in a wide variety of careers such as teaching, journalism, translation and interpretation, and other language-related fields. This programme will produce effective bilinguals in Tamil and English, giving them an added advantage in a multilingual country like Singapore. The BA Tamil Language and Literature with Communication programme inculcates a good understanding of the textual, visual and audio elements of communication, as well as a range of effective strategies in media communication. This programme will appeal to those who are strong in Tamil and English, and at the same time keen to combine their Tamil language skills with their knowledge of communication in the various communication industries, such as print media, public relations, and corporate communication.

These programmes have one intake per year in July.
BA TAMIL LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

Our graduates will be able to engage in Tamil language (BATL) teaching at the pre-primary, primary, secondary, and junior college levels. They can also advance their careers in broadcasting or in the courts and Parliament as interpreters.

BA TAMIL LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE WITH COMMUNICATION

Students pursuing a degree in Tamil Language and Literature with Communication (BATLC) will be able to combine their Tamil language skills with their knowledge of communication and find jobs in the various communication industries, such as print media, radio, television and production houses, public relations, and corporate communication.

BA TAMIL LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE WITH ENGLISH LANGUAGE

A BA degree in Tamil Language and Literature with English Language (BATLE) will give our graduates an edge in multilingual Singapore. This programme will equip students with the core knowledge, skills and competencies in both Tamil and English languages which will give the students versatility. A strong foundation in Tamil language and English will expand students’ career prospects in language-related areas such as a teaching career in schools, media, court, parliament and journalism.

TLL101 Introduction to Tamil Language
TLL102 Introduction to Tamil Literature
TLL103 History of Tamil Literature
TLL104 Introduction to Tamil Literary Criticism
TLL105 Modern Tamil Poetry
TLL106 Modern Tamil Prose
TLL107 Folk Arts
TLL108 Folk Literature
TLL109 Tamil Phonology
TLL110 Tamil Morphophonemics
TLL201 Epic Literature
TLL202 Didactical Literature
TLL203 History of Tamils
TLL204 Indian Contacts with Southeast Asia
TLL205 Devotional Literature
TLL206 Minor Literature
TLL207 Tamil Morphology
TLL208 Tamil Syntax
TLL301 Theory of Translation
TLL302 Practice of Translation
TLL303 Theoretical Linguistics
TLL304 Applied Linguistics
TLL305 Tamil Prosody
TLL306 Tamil Poetics
TLL307 Sangam Classical Poetry of Love (Agham)
TLL308 Sangam Classical Poetry of Heroism and Others (Puram)
BA TAMIL LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE MAJOR COURSES

UNIVERSITY CORE COURSES (10 CU)
- Tamil Language Proficiency (2 cu)
- Tamil Literature Proficiency (2 cu)

COMPULSORY COURSES (80 CU)

LEVEL 1
- TLL101 Introduction to Tamil Language
- TLL102 Introduction to Tamil Literature
- TLL105 Modern Tamil Poetry
- TLL106 Modern Tamil Prose
- TLL109 Tamil Phonology
- TLL110 Tamil Morphophonemics

LEVEL 2
- TLL201 Epic Literature
- TLL202 Didactical Literature
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- TLL206 Minor Literature
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COMMUNICATION MINOR COURSES

LEVEL 1
- Principles and Practice of Communication
- Discourse: Critique and Evaluation
- Media Communication in a Changing World

LEVEL 2
- Writing for Print and Emerging Media
- Writing for Strategic Communication
- Media Relations

LEVEL 3
- Public Relations
- Corporate Communication
- Analysis of Issues and Trends in the Communication Industry
- Media Law and Ethics
- Crisis Communication
- Feature Writing
- Multimedia Public Affairs Reporting

ENGLISH LANGUAGE MINOR COURSES

LEVEL 1
- Understanding Components of Language (Compulsory)
- An Introduction to Language Systems (Compulsory)
- Analysing Prose: Short Fiction and Essays
- Understanding Poems and Plays

LEVEL 2
- Language Structure: Sentences and Sounds
- Language and Society

LEVEL 3
- World Englishes
- Language and Literacy
- English in Singapore
- Semantics and Pragmatics
- Discourse Analysis
- Literary Stylistics
- First Language Acquisition
- Second Language Learning
The communication industry is a burgeoning industry in Singapore and the region. The need for well-qualified professionals in the field cannot be over-emphasised. With their strong emphasis on the textual, visual and audio elements of communication, the Singapore University of Social Sciences’ Communication programme prepare students to perform competently in a variety of sub-fields in the communication industries.

Students may pursue Communication as a single subject, or with a minor in Business, Contemporary China Studies, English Language, Film Studies, Marketing, Multimedia, Political Science, Psychology, Security Studies or Translation. The Communication programmes are ideal for those who are already carrying out communication related job functions in media or other related fields but do not have the necessary tertiary qualifications to be considered for promotions or salary increases. These programmes will also meet the needs of those who are currently employed in other kinds of work but would like to change career tracks and move into the vibrant communication or media-related fields.

The programme covers subjects ranging from media writing to media management, media production, multimedia and design. Our programme provides students with the critical advantage necessary to achieve their ambitions, whether they are interested in journalism, media management, TV, radio, strategic communication, public relations, corporate communication, advertising, marketing communications or media production.

**WHOM IS THIS FOR?**

- Working adults who are already employed in related fields but who are looking to add value to their existing knowledge and skills by formalising their expertise which would, in turn, create career advancement opportunities for them.

- Those in general administrative positions who are looking to acquire new and more specific knowledge and skills.

- Those who wish to work in the communication and media industry.
A Communication degree provides diverse opportunities in many fields. The courses in the Communication programme will appeal to those interested in careers in public relations, corporate communications, radio and television broadcasting, TV and print journalism, arts management, media management, and even hospitality and tourism. The skills developed here will also make graduates well suited to careers in advertising, publishing, and teaching.

It can be quite challenging to juggle work, studies and personal commitments but this is often better handled with good time management and self-discipline. The flexibility of Singapore University of Social Sciences’ e-blended learning and the helpful lecturers have definitely made part-time learning more enjoyable and manageable for working adults like me.

My advice to potential students out there will be to do something that you have passion for as this will enrich your learning experience.

CECILIA YANG CAIXIA
Alumni
Bachelor of Communication
The Communication programmes provide students with the essential skills and knowledge to excel in the field of journalism, media management, TV, radio, strategic communication, advertising, marketing communications or media production.

The Business minor courses provide students with the essential skills and knowledge that support the corporate communication of business operations such as operation management, large-scale project management, and human capital management.

The Contemporary China Studies minor courses equip students with multidisciplinary knowledge and training in understanding the different facets of contemporary China, a global power in the ascendency, and the critical awareness and perspectives in dealing with complex societies besides their own. Such exposure and understanding will stand communication students in good stead with prospective employers.

The English Language minor courses, which include description, analysis and interpretation of language structures, equip students with the competencies required to work in mass communication and language-related fields such as general education and editorial work.

The multidisciplinary Film Studies minor courses equip students with an understanding of the film industry through the artistic, narrative, socio-cultural, economic and theoretical aspects of film. This will be vital for fields or industries that require the skills to critically evaluate and engage with film as a creative work, a business product, a reflector of the times, and a force for social political change.

The Marketing minor courses provide students with the marketing knowledge and skills that further sharpen their professionalism in strategic and marketing communications. In an increasingly complex economy, many media organisations depend heavily on marketing activities. In addition, communication professionals who work for non-business organisations will need to engage in marketing activities as well.

The Multimedia minor courses prepare students for career advancement in the era of digital media. The skills and knowledge in multimedia will allow graduates to exploit the flow of information through audio-visual modalities, the computer, and the Internet.
The Political Science minor provides students with analytical skills needed to better understand the political institutions, political processes and social values that shape our society. Regardless of their fields or industry, students will be better placed to respond to the demands of their jobs in this fast-paced and oft-times politicised environment. They will also appreciate how micro and macro-level interactions are not guided by individual actions, but are part of a larger complex arrangement that not only encompasses the social and economic institutions and processes, but also the political.

The Psychology minor courses equip students with a set of core knowledge, skills, and competencies required to work in communication- and psychology-related industries, including government ministries, social service, corporate consultancy, human resource and market survey and research.

The Translation minor courses aim to strengthen students’ bilingual competence (Chinese and English), foster cross-cultural awareness, and equip students with essential translation skills. With a focus on the application of technology in translation and an applied approach, the Translation minor courses will prepare students for careers where translation skills are highly valued.

The Security Studies Minor prepares our graduates with upper undergraduate level courses on security theory, government, political history, economic security, technology (cybersecurity), the mind of the terrorist, society and security, and non-traditional security. Please refer to our website for Security Studies minor courses and admission requirements.

Students are required to complete a total of 130 credit units (cu) to graduate with a basic degree, inclusive of 10 cu of university core courses. All courses are 5 cu unless stated otherwise.

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Since English is the working language of international commerce, this programme will also suit professionals working in other areas.
### Compulsory Social Science Courses
- **Level 1**
  - Introduction to Social Sciences
  - The Moral Compass
  - The Social Self
- **Level 2**
  - Social Science Research Methods

### Elective Communication Courses
- **Level 1**
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### Compulsory Foundation Communication Courses
- **Level 1**
  - Writing for Strategic Communication
  - Media Relations
  - Writing for Print and Emerging Media
  - Creative Advertising and Copywriting
- **Level 2**
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### Business Minor Courses
- **Compulsory Courses (20 CU)**
  - Management
  - Business Excellence
  - Marketing Management
- **Level 2**
  - Financial Management

### Contemporary China Studies Minor Courses
- **Compulsory Courses (20 CU)**
  - The Making of Modern China
  - History and Politics of Contemporary China
  - Chinese Economy in Transformation
  - Chinese Society in Transition

### English Language Minor Courses
- **Compulsory Courses (20 CU)**
  - Understanding Components of Language (Compulsory)
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  - Second Language Learning
- **Level 3**
  - Public Policy in China
  - Social Institutions in China
  - Chinese Cultural Psychology
- **Level 2**
  - Development in Greater China
  - Doing Business with/in China
  - Globalization and Social Change
  - Overseas Study Mission (China-Beijing)
- **Level 3**
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- **Level 2**
  - Financial Accounting
  - Contract and Agency Law
  - Company and Tort Law
  - Managerial Economics
  - Political Economy of Asia
- **Level 3**
  - Operations Management
  - Project Management
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### FILM STUDIES MINOR COURSES

**Compulsory Courses (10 CU)**
- Introduction to Film Studies (Compulsory)
- Writing Film Criticism (Compulsory)
- Film Genre (Compulsory)
- Film Theory (Compulsory)
- Animated Film
- Singapore Film: 1930-2000
- Singapore Film in the 21st Century
- Film in the Age of New Media
- Shakespeare on Film
- Film and Gender

**Elective Courses (Choose 20 CU, Minimum 10 CU of Level 3 Courses)**
- Digital Photography Technology
- Internet Technologies
- Interactive Digital Animation
- Audio and Video Production Techniques (10 cu)
- Visual Effects Design
- Media Programming
- Television Content Strategy

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### MULTIMEDIA MINOR COURSES

**Compulsory Courses (10 CU)**
- Creative Design Fundamentals
- History of Media

**Elective Courses (Choose 30 CU, Minimum 10 CU of Level 3 Courses)**
- Organisational Psychology
- Educational Psychology
- Personality and Individual Differences
- Social Psychology
- Cognitive Psychology: Exploring the Mind
- Psychology of Creativity
- Positive Psychology
- Personnel Assessment and Selection
- Biological Basis of Psychology
- Human Factors Psychology
- Psychology of Consumer Behaviour

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### PSYCHOLOGY MINOR COURSES

**Compulsory Courses (10 CU)**
- Introduction to Psychology 1
- Introduction to Psychology 2

**Elective Courses (Choose 30 CU, Minimum 10 CU of Level 3 Courses)**
- Contrastive Language Studies: English and Chinese
- Translation and Socio-Cultural Differences
- Fundamentals of Chinese to English Translation
- Fundamentals of English to Chinese Translation

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### MARKETING MINOR COURSES

**Compulsory Courses (30 CU)**
- Statistics
- Human Behaviour in Organisations
- Contract and Agency Law
- Marketing Management
- Consumer Behaviour
- Marketing Research

**Elective Courses (Choose 10 CU)**
- Integrated Marketing Communications
- Business-to-Business Marketing
- Services Marketing
- Sales Management
- Retail Management
- Brand Management
- Multivariate Analysis
- Marketing for Financial Services
- Internet and Social Media Marketing
- Pricing
- Case Studies in Marketing Management

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### POLITICAL SCIENCE MINOR COURSES

**Compulsory Courses (20 CU)**
- Introduction to Political Science
- Government and Politics of Singapore

**Elective Courses (Choose 20 CU, Minimum 10 CU of Level 3 Courses)**
- Business, Government and Society
- Media, Politics, and the Citizen
- Political Economy of Asia
- Comparative Politics in Southeast Asia
- Public Administration in Southeast Asia
- Corruption and Governance

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### TRANSLATION MINOR COURSES

**Compulsory Courses (20 CU)**
- Contrastive Language Studies: English and Chinese
- Translation and Socio-Cultural Differences
- Fundamentals of Chinese to English Translation
- Fundamentals of English to Chinese Translation

**Elective Courses (Choose 20 CU, Minimum 10 CU of Level 3 Courses)**
- Translation of Media Materials: Print and Audio-Visual
- Introduction to Interpretation
- Consecutive Interpretation
- Translation of Science and Technology Writings with Technology
- Translation of Business and Trade Documents
- Translation of Legal Documents

**Elective Courses (Choose 20 CU, Minimum 10 CU of Level 3 Courses)**
- Chinese-English Translation of Literary Works
- English-Chinese Translation of Literary Works
- Financial Translation
- Advanced Topics in Translation
BSc PSYCHOLOGY
BSc PSYCHOLOGY WITH MULTIMEDIA / SECURITY STUDIES
BA PSYCHOLOGY WITH BUSINESS / COMMUNICATION / FILM STUDIES / MARKETING / POLITICAL SCIENCE / SOCIOLOGY / TRANSLATION

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

The Psychology programmes cover a broad range of theoretical, conceptual, analytical and functional skills. Students will receive a comprehensive education in Psychology, and may choose from specialised electives such as organisational/work psychology, educational psychology, and health psychology/well being. Students may pursue psychology to broaden their skill sets and capabilities.

These programmes are for those who find Psychology interesting, and wish to pursue it either as a career or as an aid to some other career. The degree programmes are enriching for those who are in jobs that involve working with people or need an understanding of them. Sometimes, what is needed are skills to understand people as people; in other situations, an objective and detached judgement is required. In either case, a grounding in Psychology is helpful.

These programmes have an honours option. Students with an excellent record upon completion of their basic degree will be invited to pursue the honours programme.

To graduate with a basic degree, students are required to complete a total of 130 credit units (cu) of courses, inclusive of 10 cu of university core courses. An additional 40 cu is required to graduate with honours. All courses are 5 cu unless stated otherwise.

Students may pursue a Psychology programme in combination with a minor in Business, Communication, Film Studies, Marketing, Multimedia, Political Science, Security Studies, Sociology or Translation.
WHOM IS THIS FOR?

Those who find Psychology interesting, and wish to pursue it either as a career or as an aid to some other careers.

Those who are in jobs that involve working with people or that require an understanding of them.

Students who wish to acquire skills to understand people as people.

CAREER PROSPECTS

A psychology bachelor’s degree is a general social sciences degree. Graduates can basically work in any field. However, to pursue a career in psychology (e.g., as a clinical, organisational, educational, or academic psychologist), a higher degree in psychology is required (e.g., master’s or PhD). Some of our alumni, after having obtained an Honours degree in psychology at Singapore University of Social Sciences, have pursued a master’s/PhD degree in other universities.

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Honours Course

Total 40 cu

Capstone Psychology Project (10 cu)

Choose 30 cu of elective courses

Explanatory Notes

1 Students reading a programme with minor will only need to complete 20 cu of Social Science Core Compulsory Courses.
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Taking up a psychology degree was one of the best decisions I have ever made. The experience has made my personal and work life a richer one, and has helped me understand the power of education.

Vimi Tambra Anandh
Alumnus
BSc Psychology

*Explanatory Notes
1 Students reading a programme with minor will only need to complete 15 cu of major electives and only from Level 3 and above.
### Marketing Minor Courses
**Compulsory Courses (30 CU)**
- Statistics
- Human Behaviour in Organisations
- Contract and Agency Law
- Marketing Management

**Elective Courses (Minimum 10 CU of Level 3 Courses)**
- Integrated Marketing Communications
- Business-to-Business Marketing
- Services Marketing
- Sales Management
- Retail Management
- Brand Management
- Multivariate Analysis
- Marketing for Financial Services
- Internet and Social Media Marketing
- Pricing
- Case Studies in Marketing Management

### Political Science Minor Courses
**Compulsory Courses (20 CU)**
- Introduction to Political Science
- Government and Politics of Singapore

**Level 2**
- Fundamentals of Public Administration
- Introduction to Comparative Politics

**Level 3**
- Business, Government and Society
- Media, Politics, and the Citizen

### Sociology Courses
**Elective Courses (30 CU, Minimum 10 CU of Level 3 Courses)**
- Living Sociology
- Singapore Society
- Social Stratification
- Gender Issues
- Sociology of Family
- Urban Sociology
- Sociology of Education

**Level 3**
- Social Gerontology
- Popular Culture
- Southeast Asian Societies
- Sociology of Law and Order (10 CU)
- Medical Sociology

### Translation Minor Courses
**Compulsory Courses (20 CU)**
- Contrastive Language Studies: English and Chinese
- Translation and Socio-Cultural Differences
- Fundamentals of Chinese to English Translation
- Fundamentals of English to Chinese Translation

**Elective Courses (20CU, Minimum 10 CU of Level 3 Courses)**
- Translation of Media Materials: Print and Audio-Visual
- Introduction to Interpretation
- Consecutive Interpretation
- Translation of Science and Technology Writings with Technology
- Translation of Business and Trade Documents
- Translation of Legal Documents

**Level 3**
- Chinese-English Translation of Literary Works
- English-Chinese Translation of Literary Works
- Financial Translation
- Advanced Topics in Translation

### Film Studies Minor Courses
**Compulsory Courses (20 CU)**
- Introduction to Film Studies
- Writing Film Criticism

**Level 2**
- Film Genre
- Film Theory

**Elective Courses (20CU, Minimum 10 CU of Level 3 Courses)**
- Animated Film
- Singapore Film: 1930-2000
- Singapore Film in the 21st Century
- Film in the Age of New Media
- Shakespeare on Film
- Film and Gender

### Multimedia Minor Courses
**Compulsory Courses (10 CU)**
- Creative Design Fundamentals
- History of Media

**Elective Courses (30CU, Minimum 10 CU of Level 3 Courses)**
- Digital Photography Technology
- Internet Technologies
- Interactive Digital Animation
- Audio and Video Production Techniques (10 CU)
- Interactive Digital Animation
- Visual Effects Design
- Media Programming
- Television Content Strategy

**Level 1**
- Introduction to Film Studies
- Writing Film Criticism

**Level 2**
- Film Genre
- Film Theory

**Level 3**
- Animated Film
- Singapore Film: 1930-2000
- Singapore Film in the 21st Century
- Film in the Age of New Media
- Shakespeare on Film
- Film and Gender

**Elective Courses (Minimum 10 CU of Level 3 Courses)**
- Integrated Marketing Communications
- Business-to-Business Marketing
- Services Marketing
- Sales Management
- Retail Management
- Brand Management
- Multivariate Analysis
- Marketing for Financial Services
- Internet and Social Media Marketing
- Pricing
- Case Studies in Marketing Management

**Level 2**
- Business, Government and Society
- Media, Politics, and the Citizen

**Level 3**
- Political Economy of Asia
- Comparative Politics in Southeast Asia
- Public Administration in Southeast Asia
- Corruption and Governance

**Important Notes**
- Students must complete at least 30 CU of Level 3 Psychology courses for the major.
- Students reading a programme with minor must also complete at least 10 CU of Level 3 courses from the minor electives.
- Students are strongly advised to follow the proper progression of course levels (i.e. take Level 1 courses before Level 2, and Level 2 before Level 3).
- All courses are in 5 CU unless otherwise stated.
WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT SINGAPORE UNIVERSITY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES?

The dedicated lecturers and flexibility of our programmes. The degree programmes are industry-relevant and this is welcomed by prospective employers.

IN WHAT WAYS DOES THE UNIVERSITY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES EXCEED YOUR EXPECTATIONS?

Singapore University of Social Sciences’ psychology programme has stimulated me intellectually and provided me with the necessary knowledge and skills to join the social research field. With a subsidy from the University, I had the rare opportunity to travel to Cape Town to present my honours thesis at an international conference.

HOW HAS THE UNIVERSITY HELPED YOU IN LIFE AND CAREER?

It has moulded me into a better person by equipping me with the necessary critical thinking and analytical skills to succeed in life.
The Sociology degree programmes cover a wide range of contemporary social issues to provide an analysis of human behaviour and society in a globalised world. They will appeal to anyone interested in understanding their social, political and cultural environment and provide a strong foundation in analytical, theoretical and methodological skills applied to contemporary issues relating to globalisation and social change, health and medicine, social stratification (race, class and ethnicity), popular culture, family, gerontology, gender, education, urban sociology, law and order, and research methods. These are studied in light of developments in Singapore society, regionally, as well as within a global context.

Such core skills and knowledge are also essential in today’s workplace. With a fast-changing world and work environment, there is a need for working adults to be equipped with competitive skills that allow them to attain a good grounding in disciplinary knowledge, skills in evaluating empirical research and capacity to apply these skills to analyse current social trends and problems, and to propose solutions in their areas of work. Sociology, with its attention on social trends and impact of policy in both the private and public sectors, serves to equip our adult learners with these skills and prepare them for related careers.

Sociology graduates hold a set of critical, analytical and research skills, and are well suited to pursue careers in a wide variety of industries – from the civil service or public administration, to private commercial organisations and non-profit organisations – and fields – from education, social policy and community development, to media, social and market research, the creative fields, healthcare, etc. Our curriculum has a strong applied focus, designed to suit working adults who wish to upgrade their skills and qualifications in their existing line of work or to move into related careers. At the same time, our courses also suit anyone with a strong personal interest in understanding society.

The programmes are open to students from any discipline, whose qualifications meet the Singapore University of Social Sciences’ entry requirements. Foundation courses in the social sciences provide for a smooth transition into the programme.

Students may pursue Sociology as a single subject, or with a Communication, Contemporary China Studies, Film Studies, Political Science, Psychology or Security Studies minor. The Communication minor includes courses which provide skills in media and communication, while the Psychology minor includes organisational psychology and social psychology, amongst others. The Contemporary China Studies minor allows students to understand various facets of contemporary Chinese society. The multidisciplinary Film Studies minor equips students with an understanding of the film industry through the socio-cultural, economic and theoretical aspects of film. The Political Science minor allows students to understand government and politics, including the institutions and processes shaping politics in society. The courses offered in these minors provide a complementary perspective to the unique perspectives of Sociology with regard to understanding human behaviour and the social world.

Students are required to complete a total of 130 credit units (cu) to graduate with a basic degree, inclusive of 10 cu of university core courses. All courses are 5 cu unless stated otherwise.
This programme is very suitable for those already working in – or wish to pursue careers within – industries and organisations such as the civil service and public administration, in social service sectors involving health, community and social development, in education, in the arts, media and creative industries, or in the private sector such as market research companies.

Those who are looking to upgrade their qualifications to enhance their skills within these professions, and who wish to develop knowledge and competencies in the area of social and cultural research, education, community and social development, market research, journalism or media are welcome to join us. Our courses also suit students who deal with social deviance and law and order, social work and counselling in their work.

The programme is open to all graduates with polytechnic diplomas in any area, including the health sciences or media and communications, and graduates with ‘A’ Levels in any area, including humanities and sciences, whose qualifications meet the Singapore University of Social Sciences’ entry requirements.

The Communication minor includes courses which provide skills in media and communication. The programme thus provides a strong interdisciplinary approach towards understanding contemporary human society and social change. Together, these courses build a set of core critical, research and analytical skills that, coupled with historical and comparative knowledge of the changing world, are essential for working adults and their careers, and for anyone interested in understanding human behaviour and changes in their social, political and cultural environment.

The Contemporary China Studies minor equips students with the multidisciplinary knowledge and training needed to understand the different facets of contemporary Chinese society, a global power in ascendance. It provides students with the opportunity to learn about one of the fastest developing societies in the world - China - and equips them with a basic understanding and knowledge of what makes China work. In a globalised world, students need to possess a wider horizon and be exposed to different countries. The minor aims to provide them with such exposure and understanding, and this will stand them in good stead with prospective employers.

The Film Studies minor will equip students with the multidisciplinary knowledge needed to make sense of today’s media-saturated environment and the use of visual media in everyday life, through the different facets of film and the film industry. It cultivates in students who have an interest in visual media and popular culture the skills to examine film as a form of visual media.

The Political Science minor provides students with essential analytical skills to better understand the political institutions, political processes and social values that govern our society. The programme allows them to better understand and appreciate how various levels of interactions are interlinked with social and political arrangements and its influences on the individual.

The Psychology minor includes courses in organisational and cognitive psychology. The programme thus provides a strong interdisciplinary approach towards understanding contemporary human society and social change. Together, these courses build a set of core critical, research and analytical skills that, coupled with historical and comparative knowledge of the changing world, are essential for working adults and their careers, and for anyone interested in understanding human behaviour and changes in their social, political and cultural environment.
Graduates with a general degree in Sociology, who have strong analytical and research skills, are proficient in handling data, and versed in social trends and contemporary social issues, can be found working in the civil service and public administration, the private and commercial sector, the social service sector, and community and non-profit organisations. Sociology provides training for those involved in education, community and social development services, media and creative industries, public relations and human resources, research and marketing, policy and planning, and others.

Today’s graduates are required to be adaptable and proficient in a number of critical skills. As societal concerns become increasingly complex, and evident in the considerations of policy-makers, Sociology-trained graduates, with their breadth and depth of societal knowledge and research skills, are well placed to contribute within their professions and to society.

In pursuing this degree, the most valuable skill I have learnt is the ability to critically analyse and apply the knowledge learnt to real-life situations and circumstances in the environment. This greater understanding of the society and its processes can be usefully applied at work.

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**Social Science Core Compulsory Courses**

- Introduction to Social Sciences
- The Moral Compass
- The Social Self

**Total 20 CU**

**Sociology Compulsory Courses**

- Living Sociology
- Singapore Society
- Gender Issues
- Social Stratification
- Sociological Theories and Perspectives
- Research Methods
- Methods of Data Analysis

**Total 35 CU**

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**Explanatory Notes**

1. Students reading programme with minor will only need to complete 25 cu of major electives.
2. Only applicable to single subject degree.
3. Students must complete at least 30 cu of Level 3 Sociology courses for the major.
4. Students are strongly advised to follow the proper progression of course levels (i.e., take Level 1 courses before Level 2, and Level 2 before Level 3).
Sociology elective courses

- Religion in Contemporary Societies
- Media, Politics and the Citizen
- Migration in a Globalised World
- Technology, Globalisation and Change
- Asia and the World
- Navigating Changing Cultural Landscapes

Sociology elective courses total 55 cu

Communication minor courses

- Principles and Practice of Communication
- Discourse: Critique and Evaluation
- Media Communication in a Changing World
- Visual Texts and Communication (Compulsory)
- Writing for Strategic Communication
- Writing for Print and Emerging Media
- Media Relations
- Corporate Communications
- Public Relations
- Media Management
- Analysis of Issues and Trends in the Communication Industry
- Media Law and Ethics
- Crisis Communication
- Feature Writing
- Multimedia Public Affairs Reporting

Communication minor courses choose 40 cu

Psychology courses

- Introduction to Psychology 1
- Introduction to Psychology 2
- Organisational Psychology
- Educational Psychology
- Personality and Individual Differences
- Social Psychology

Psychology courses choose 40 cu

Contemporary China Studies minor courses

- The Making of Modern China
- History and Politics of Contemporary China
- Chinese Economy in Transformation
- Chinese Society in Transition
- Public Policy in China
- Social Institutions in China
- Chinese Cultural Psychology
- Development in Greater China
- Doing Business with/in China
- Overseas Study Mission (China-Beijing)

Contemporary China Studies minor courses choose 40 cu

Film studies minor courses

- Introduction to Film Studies
- Writing Film Criticism
- Film Genre (Compulsory)
- Film Theory (Compulsory)
- Animated Film
- Singapore Film: 1930-2000
- Singapore Film in the 21st Century
- Film in the Age of New Media
- Shakespeare on Film
- Film and Gender

Film studies minor courses choose 40 cu

Political science minor courses

- Introduction to Political Science
- Government and Politics of Singapore
- Fundamentals of Public Administration (Compulsory)
- Introduction to Comparative Politics (Compulsory)
- Business, Government and Society
- Media, Politics, and the Citizen
- Political Economy of Asia
- Comparative Politics in Southeast Asia
- Public Administration in Southeast Asia
- Corruption and Governance

Political science minor courses choose 40 cu
Launched in 2007 as Singapore’s first degree programme specialising in translation and interpretation, this programme is a unique combination of university bilingual education and professional training. The degree enables students to achieve a mastery of Chinese and English, and establishes an in-depth understanding of different cultures. It offers students an opportunity to acquire professional skills in translation and interpretation. The wide range of specialised courses allows students to concentrate on areas they are interested in, such as business, communication and technology, conference interpreting and literature. Placing a special emphasis on the role of technology in various aspects of translation and interpretation, the programme boasts two state-of-the-art interpretation laboratories and the latest translation software.

As a graduate of this programme, you will be equipped with the practical competence needed for professional work in translation and interpretation. The multilingual and interdisciplinary nature of the programme will allow students to have greater career options in professions that require good bilingual skills and cross-cultural sensitivity.

To graduate with a basic degree, students are required to complete a total of 130 credit units (cu) of courses, inclusive of 10 cu of university core courses. All courses are 5 cu unless stated otherwise.
### COMPULSORY COURSES

#### CHINESE CORE COURSES (20 CU)

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### 必修课目

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#### 翻译及传译核心科目 (30学分)

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What was most memorable while studying at SUSS was the experience of applying what I learnt immediately in different contexts: at home, at church, at work, in my daily readings and conversations. Translation and interpretation become self-reinforcing habits - whenever I read a text or listen to a speech, I would think of how to write or say it in a different language; whenever I encounter difficulties I would look for a dictionary to learn a new word or a new expression.

**NG PAK SHUN**
Alumnus, SUSS Scholar, Lianhe Zaobao Gold Award Winner
BA Translation and Interpretation
The Translation major-minor programmes provide students opportunities to develop their bilingual competences in Chinese and English and professional translation skills while establishing an in-depth understanding of relevant fields such as business, politics, films and infocomm technology. Its skills-based, interdisciplinary and cross-cultural approach gives students a competitive edge in the fast-evolving globalised world.

The Business minor prepares students to become competent managers. Through acquiring knowledge and skills in operations management, financial management, project management and human capital management, Translation major students will achieve a better understanding of business operations. With the specialised knowledge in business, they can better manage their language services and enhance their career opportunities.

The Film Studies minor equips students with the multidisciplinary knowledge needed to make sense of today’s media-saturated environment and use of visual media in everyday life, through the different facets of film and film industry. It cultivates in students who have an interest in visual media and popular culture the skills to examine film as a form of visual media. With these insights, Translation major students will be able to deliver quality subtitling services to meet the needs of the general audience.

The Infocomm Technology minor equips students with a good understanding of software development and practical knowledge in the fundamental fields of computing. Such an understanding enables Translation major students to leverage on technology to improve their productivity. They can effectively deal with translation technologies such as software localisation, computer-aided-translation, machine translation, desktop publishing and terminology management.

The Political Science minor provides students with essential analytical skills to better understand the political institutions, political processes and social values that govern our society. The programme allows students to better understand and appreciate how various levels of interactions are interlinked with social and political arrangements and its influences on the individuals. Translation major students with relevant contextual knowledge will be highly effective in facilitating international communication.
UNIVERSITY CORE (UCORE)

Students admitted into Singapore University of Social Sciences undergraduate programmes must complete 10 credit units (cu) of University Core (UCore) in order to graduate, except for students reading Chinese and Tamil programmes.

The UCore curriculum is designed to provide courses that complement the discipline-based undergraduate curriculum. It comprises 3 baskets of courses; students must complete at least one course from each basket.

**BASKET 1 (COMMUNICATION)**
- Essential Academic Writing Skills (compulsory)(1) (2.5 cu)
- Business Chinese (2.5 cu)
- Presenting with Confidence (2.5 cu)

**BASKET 2 (SKILLS)**
- Critical, Creative and Systems Thinking (2.5 cu)
- Executive Action Learning (2.5 cu)
- Lead and Influence (2.5 cu)
- Managing Your Personal Finances (2.5 cu)
- Negotiation and Relationship Management (2.5 cu)
- Reflection and ePortfolio (2.5 cu)
- Thinking Critically (2.5 cu)

**BASKET 3 (THE WORLD AND I)**
- Abstract Art Appreciation
- Art Appreciation
- Analytics for Decision-Making
- Chinese Economy in Transformation
- Chinese Society in Transition
- Contemporary Dance Appreciation
- Elements of Conveyancing Practice
- Film Genre: Understanding Types of Film
- Fundamentals of Intellectual Property Law in Singapore (2.5 cu)
- Fundamentals of Investing (2.5 cu)
- Government and Politics in China
- Introduction to Animated Film
- Introduction to Critical Media Literacy (2.5 cu)
- Introduction to Film Studies
- Introduction to Social Sciences
- Islam and the Malays

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1 To replace Essential Academic Writing Skills with another course, please show proof that you have successfully completed a similar university-level course at another tertiary institution.

Explanatory Notes
Christopher Foo’s research on adult learners (SIOP Convention, 14-18 May 2014)

Alumnus and psychology honours graduate Christopher Foo presented his research, based on his honours thesis, on the effects of work and family role demands on adult learners, at the 29th Annual Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology (SIOP) Convention in Honolulu in May 2014. Drawing from the conservation-of-resource theory, Christopher found that adult learners with an especially high degree of role conflict arising from competing family demands show lower academic performance, whereas adult learners who experience an especially high degree of enrichment due to their multiple roles report higher life satisfaction.

Danial Bohan’s research on the visually impaired (Singapore Rehabilitation Conference, 27-29 March 2014)

Alumnus and psychology honours graduate Danial Bohan presented his qualitative research study on a guide dog team, based on his honours thesis, at the Singapore Rehabilitation Conference in March 2014 and at the 11th International Conference on Low Vision in Melbourne in April 2014. Danial conducted an in-depth study of the mobility of a visually impaired person and her guide dog, and provided fresh insights into this mobility as a complex, social phenomenon in the uniquely Singaporean context. In the meantime, the British Journal of Visual Impairment accepted Danial’s academic paper and published it in December 2014.
Chinese Programme Students Awarded the Kongzi Culture Scholarship (9 October 2015)

Bachelor of Arts in Chinese Language and Literature (BACLS) students Zhao Jun, Song Haiyan, Wu Ting and Guo Tingting were awarded the Kongzi Culture Scholarship by the Nanyang Confucius Association.

This scholarship is awarded to the top four BACLS students every year in recognition of their academic achievements in the areas of Chinese Philosophy (Confucianism) and Literature.

Phyllis Hui Wins Award at ‘Dream Future’ Envisioning Forum (4 July 2015)

Phyllis Hui, a student with the Communication Programme, was selected as a student presenter for the ‘Dream Future’ Envisioning Forum by the forum organisers, and went on to win the title of ‘Best Presenter’ for her session.

The ‘Dream Future’ Envisioning Forum, which was held on July 4 at the Singapore Polytechnic Convention Centre, was the first of three projects planned for SG50 under SG100 COMPASS (Conversations on Measures of Progress for our Aspirational Singapore Society) (Youth Edition), which was organised by the Association for Public Affairs – a student association of the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy at NUS. The goal of the forum was to provide a platform for aspiring youth leaders to voice their hopes for national progress and the outcomes they hoped to see, and discuss how to achieve those outcomes.

Alan Lim wins YES FM933 DJ Competition

Alan Lim Kah Wee, a Bachelor of Communication with English Language graduate, took part in the YES FM933 DJ Competition held by MediaCorp Radio, and emerged as one of the winners.

As the results of the competition depended partly on the number of likes candidates received, the Communication programme’s Facebook community rallied around Alan to give him the support he needed. As one of the top three winners, Alan was awarded a contract and is now a part-time DJ with FM933, a Chinese radio station.

Phyllis Hui Wins Award (4 July 2015)

Phyllis Hui Wins Award at ‘Dream Future’ Envisioning Forum (4 July 2015)
Our Chinese programme invited local scriptwriter of *The Little Nyonya*, Mr Ang Eng Tee, to give a talk during Singapore University of Social Sciences’ 2015 Open House. Drawing on his wealth of experience, he shared with participants the ups and downs of writing for television, and gave them valuable insights into the process of scriptwriting in Singapore.

**GRAMMAR WORKSHOP FOR FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS**

A regular feature of Singapore University of Social Sciences’ Student Orientation, the *Understanding Common Errors in English* workshop was conducted on 9 July 2016 by our Vice Dean, Dr Ludwig Tan.

**PRODUCING: A BALANCING ACT**

Ever wondered what a film producer does? On 24 August 2016, our Film Minor programme invited producer Huang Junxiang, who has worked with notable Singaporean directors such as Boo Junfeng and Anthony Chen, to share with us some of his personal experiences and insights into the film industry.

**FROM IDEAS TO PRINT: UNDERSTANDING SCRIPTWRITING THROUGH THE LITTLE NYONYA**

**NEIL HUMPHREYS AND THE SINGAPORE SHORTS**

On 30 September 2015, we invited Neil Humphreys, bestselling author of 15 books, down for a Meet-the-Author session at Singapore University of Social Sciences. Mr Humphreys regaled the audience with his misadventures as an HDB-dwelling ‘ang moh’ in Singapore, and delighted fans with a book-signing session too.

**WILL MACHINE TRANSLATION REPLACE HUMAN TRANSLATORS?**

In July 2016, Singapore University of Social Sciences invited visiting Professor Li Changshuan, Executive Deputy Dean of the Graduate School of Translation and Interpretation, Beijing Foreign Studies University, to give two public lectures on the field of translation. Professor Li offered valuable insights into the profession and discipline of translation, and debunked the notion that machines will be able to replace humans as translators.
AND ACTIVITIES

NO WOMAN, NO CRY
– FILM SCREENING AND PANEL DISCUSSION

On 21 March 2015, in celebration of International Women’s Day, our Sociology programme, Soroptimist International Singapore and One Singapore held a screening of the documentary No Woman, No Cry and a panel discussion on maternal health.

SPRINGING IN A CORPORATE VOICE - MAKING THE MOST OF A COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY

Our Communication programme invited award-winning communication veteran Adrian Heng to share his insights into public relations and marketing strategies on 15 Feb 2016. As Group Marketing Director of Asia Plantation Capital, Mr Heng gave great insights into the exciting world of strategic communication.

CONVERSATION STARTERS

Together with the National Library Board, Singapore University of Social Sciences held the first instalment of its Conversation Starters series on 20 April 2016. The series, which features panel discussions on current affairs, kicked off with a lively dialogue about ‘Countering the ISIS Threat’.

INDUSTRY VISITS

With a focus on real-world learning, we hold regular field trips for students to meet with professionals from different fields, and gain exposure to different work environments.